

Name _____

Sort 12 – Derivational

Adding Suffixes: Vowel Alternation Accented to Unaccented

Sort the words into columns based on the base word and its derivative. Put each pair in alphabetical order (not including the example word.)

Base Word	Derived Word		Base Word	Derived Word
similar	similarity			

Sort again based on the sounds. Circle the unaccented vowels.

Accented Vowel	Unaccented Vowel (schwa sound)		Accented Vowel	Unaccented Vowel (schwa sound)
similarity	similar		invite	invitation

Listen to the words as you sort and if some are hard to spell due to the unaccented syllable (or *schwa* sound), listen to its partner word to spell it correctly.

Applying Meaning

1. Select five words from the list and use them in a meaningful sentence.
